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Inventor(s): Toshinari Takayanagi
 Title: NEGATIVE BIAS TEMPERATURE INSTABILITY (NBTI)
 PRECONDITIONING OF MATCHED DEVICES
 Assignee: Sun Microsystems, Inc.

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- Application Data Sheet (2 page(s))
- Request for Non-Publication and Certification under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i) (1 page(s))
- 24 Pages of Written Description (including Specification, Claims and Abstract)
- 8 Sheets of Drawings, Formal / Informal
- Declaration for Patent Application (2 pages), Executed/ Unexecuted
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- Information Disclosure Statement (pages)
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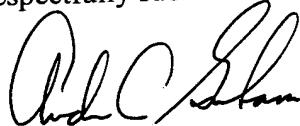
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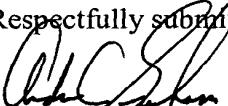
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